Akshara Sankranthi Programme

Year	No. of persons made literate (lakhs)
1999-2000	4.62
2000-2001	28.36
2001-2002	4.74

Help of Afghanistan in Education Sector

4735. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state the details of help proposed to be given by Government to Kabul in the education sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: The Government of India have thus far identified the following areas in the field of education for helping the Government of Afghanistan:

(i) assistance to Kabul University with regard to repair, educational equipment, books etc.;

(ii) construction of 6 schools for imparting primary and elementary education;

(iii) setting up of a polytechnic, an engineering college and vocational and technical education centres for girls; and

(iv) placing qualified Afghan students in Indian institutions for computer education.

Central Scheme for Welfare of Women and Children

4736. SHRI CO. POULOSE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Cetral schemes pertaining to welfare of women and children;

(b) the funds allocated towards each of the schemes during the last three years, State-wise and year-wise; and

(c) the number of persons benefited by these schemes during this period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN): (a) The details of the Central Schemes being implemented by the Department of Women and Child Development for the welfare of women and children are given in Statement-I *(See* below)

(b) No State-wise funds are allocated under the Central Schemes.

(c) Number of persons by these schemes are given in Statement-!!.

Statement-I

Central Scheme Welfare of Women and Children

Details of the central schemes being implemented by DWCD for the Welfare of Women and children

1. *Scheme of Creches/Day Care Centers for Children of Working and Ailing Women*

   It aims to provide day care services for the children (0—5 years) of mainly casual, migrant, agricultural and construction labourers.

2. *National Creche Fund*

   It provides for a corpus fund to meet the growing requirement of opening more creche centers for working and ailing mothers.

3. *Hostels for Working Women*

   Under the scheme financial assistance is given to voluntary organisations, local bodies and cooperative institutions engaged in the field of women's/social welfare/ women's education. Public Sector undertaking, Women Development Corporations, Educational Institutions and State Governments for the construction of hostels for working women in order to enable women seek employment and participate in technical training.

4. *Setting up of Employment-cum-Training-cum-lncome Generating Units for Women (NORAD)*

Under this programme, financial assistance is given to Women's Development Corporations, Public Sector Corporations, autonomous bodies, and voluntary organisations, to train poor women, mostly in non-traditional trades and to ensure their employment in these areas.

5. *Support to Training and Employment Programme for Women (STEP)*

This Programme seeks to provide updated skills and new knowledge to poor and assetless women in the traditional sectors, such as, agriculture, animal husbandry, dairying, fisheries, handlooms, handicrafts, khadi and village industries, sericulture, social forestry and wasteland development for enhancing their productivity and income generation.

6. *Short stay homes for Women and Girls*

The scheme seeks to protect and rehabilitate those women and girls who are facing social and moral danger due to family problems, mental strains, social ostracism, exploitation and other causes.

7. *Distance Education Programme*

The Scheme provides for a certificate course by IGNOU to trail women Self Help-group, Workers.

8. *Condensed Courses of Education & Vocational Training for Women (CC&VT)*

The Scheme is implemented by the Central Social Welfare Board with the objective of providing basic education and skills to needy women and also to benefit widows, destitute deserted women and also those belonging to economically backward classes.

9. *Awareness Generation Project (AGP)*

It aims to generate awareness among rural and poor women about their status in the family and society and to activate them to work for achieving their rights and to deal with social issues.

10. *Scheme for Women in Difficult Circumstances Swadhar*

The scheme has been designed with a flexible and innovative approach to cater to the requirement of various types of women in distress in diverse situations under different conditions.

11. *Grant-in-AID for Research, Publications and Monitoring*

The main objective of the scheme is to extend grant in aid to Universities, Research Institutes, Voluntary Organisations individual scholars for undertaking research studies on emerging issues in the field of women and child development, for services etc.

12. *Grant-in-AID to Voluntary Organisations in the field of Women & Child Development*

Under the Scheme, assistance is given to voluntary organisations working in the field of child and women welfare for innovative projects and activities which are not chartered in the existing schemes of this Department.

13. *Information and Mass Media*

The Department uses the Mass Media like newspaper, television, radio, films, printed material and other out-door publicity activities to bring about necessary attitudinal changes among the people.

14. *National Nutrition Policy and Education*

The Food and Nutrition Board has been running a number of plan schemes such as Fortification of Milk with Vitamin A, Research & Development, implementation of National Nutrition Policy and Capital Expenditure of FNB.

Statement-ll

Number of persons benefited by Central Scheme for Welfare of Women and Children

SI. No	Particulars	Physical Indigators	Achievement 1999-2000	2000-01	2001-2002
1	2	3	4	5	6
A.	CENTRAL SCHEMES				
(a)	WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN				
1.	Creches/Day Care Centres for Children of Working/Ailing Mothers (1975-76)	No. of Creches No. of Benf. (in lakhs)	12470 3.12	12470 3.12	12470 3.12
2.	National Creche Fund for Child Care Service (1992-93)	No. of New — Creches — Anganwadi-cum Creches to be opend.	—	—	659
(b)	WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT OF WOMEN				
3.	Hostels for Working Women (1972-73)	No. of Hotels No. of Ben.	15 1246	29 195	5 349 (as on 8.11.01)
4.	Setting up of Employment and Income Generating Trng-com-Prod. Centres for Women (NORAD) (1982-83)	No. of Women Benef.	20620	45211	25045
5.	Support to Training-cum-Employment Prog. (STEP) (1986-87)	No. of Women Benef.	6100	52550	50600
6.	Short Stay Homes (1969-70)	No. of Homes (new)	36	117	43
7.	Distance Education Women Development Empowerment (1998)	-Non-Quantifiable-			

1	2	3	4	5	6
8.	Condensed Courses of Education & Vocational Training for Women (1958)	No. of Courses	591	1557	172
9.	Awareness Generation Projects for Rural Poor Women in Public Cooperation (1986-87)	No. of Campus	795	3422	1455
10.	Scheme for Women in difficult circums-tances-Swadhar	-Non Quantifiable-			
(C) OTHER SCHEMES					
11.	GIA to Research, Publication & Monitoring (1985-86)	No. of New Studies	12	6	7
12.	GIA to the Vol. Ongns. in the field of Women and Child Development	-Non Quantifiable-			
13.	Information & Mass Education (1984-85)	No. of Radio Prog.	13	—	—
		No. of Vidio Film	2	18	18
		Duplication of Film	—	—	—
FOOD AND NUTRITION BOARD					
A. CENTRAL SCHEME					
14.	National Nutrition Policy Nutrition Education	No. Dem. Prog.	12273	13986	11338
		No. of TV/Radio Prog.	—	39	21
		Mont, of ICDS	7000	7498	5527
		No. of Film Prod.	6	10	5
		No. of INEC & OTC	116	125	87